IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE, ANDHRA PRADESH
AT HYDERABAD

HON'BLE Mr. JUSTICE R. SUBHASH REDDY

Writ Petition No.22088 of 2006

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Dated: November 3, 2006

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Between:

Sreeramula Sireesha, D/o. M. Chowdappa, aged 15 years, Student, being minor under the guardianship of her Natural father Sri M. Chowdappa, S/o. late Chowdappa, 45 years, Service, R/o.49-1-88/MB-7, Near Ramakrishna Vidyalayam, Maddur Nagar, Kurnool.

… Petitioner

And

The Secretary, Board of Secondary Education, Nampally, Hyderabad – 500 001.

… Respondent

Order:

This Writ Petition has been filed seeking Mandamus to direct the respondent to produce the answer script of the petitioner relating to S.S.C. examination written by her.

2. Heard learned counsel for the petitioner and learned Government Pleader on behalf of the respondent.

3. The case of the petitioner is that she appeared for S.S.C. examination in March, 2006 and secured 96 marks in Telugu, 98 marks in Mathematics, 99 marks in General Science, 96 marks in Social Studies, 93 marks in Hindi and 79 marks in English. She secured 561 marks in aggregate. She was dissatisfied with the marks she secured in 'English' and on the ground that the she was expecting more marks than what she had actually secured in 'English', she applied for recounting. Pursuant thereto, the respondent, by Memo Rc.No.12/D.20-1/06, informed her that the marks awarded to her in the aforesaid subject had been recounted and no change has been found in the marks already recorded in the memorandum of marks and no further correspondence in the matter will be entertained. Hence, she filed the present writ petition alleging that the respondent has not recounted the marks properly.

4. The case of the petitioner is that she is expecting higher marks than the marks, which were actually recorded in the memorandum of marks. However, it is to be seen that expectation of students is not the criterion for awarding marks. It is for the examiners, who are experts in the field, to look into a particular answer and make their own assessment for awarding marks, having regard to the nature of question and the way in which the student answers it. Moreover, the respondent has recounted the marks at the request of the petitioner and informed her that there is no change in the marks already recorded in the memorandum of marks. In that view of the matter, no direction as sought for can be issued.

5. The writ petition is devoid of merits and is accordingly dismissed. No order as to costs.

JUSTICE R. SUBHASH REDDY.

November 3, 2006
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